DUR Committee January 21, 2011 Minutes

Members Present

Dharna Begich, Pharm.D.
Amber Briggs, Pharm.D.
Robert Carlson, M.D. (telephonic)
Vincent Greear, R.Ph
William McCormick, Pharm.D.
John Pappenheim, M.D.
Janice Stables, ANP
Chad Hope, Pharm.D. (DHSS)

Others Present

Julie Pritchard, Pharm.D. (Magellan) Alex Malter, M.D. (medical director) Justine Kirsch (Intern with Dr. McCormick) Steve Tarbell (Intern with Dr. McCormick)

- Minutes from November meeting were approved unanimously without changes.
- An updated was provided by Chad Hope to the committee regarding the signed regulations that will become effective 2/9/2011.
- The emergency criteria for active pharmaceutical ingredients (API) approved by the Department in December were reviewed by the committee. A brief synopsis of the rationale behind why the criteria was needed was provided by Chad Hope and following additional discussion the criteria was approved unanimously without changes.
- Criteria to place a prior authorization on all brand name multi-source medications was
 presented by Chad Hope to the committee. Following a detailed explanation of the
 rationale behind why a prior authorization would be needed for these products there was
 lengthy discussion about the current system coding. Following the addition of 4
 medications to be excluded from the prior authorization the committee approved the
 criteria unanimously.
- Criteria to place Vitamin D 50K units on prior authorization were presented by Chad Hope. Following a lengthy discussion about the current utilization of this product the committee approved the criteria unanimously.
- Criteria to place Folic Acid 1mg on prior authorization were presented by Chad Hope. Following a short discussion about the current utilization of this product the committee approved the criteria unanimously with the addition of the criterion to approve if the patient is being treated for alcoholism.
- Criteria to place Zanaflex capsules on prior authorization were presented by Chad Hope. Following a brief discussion the committee approved the criteria unanimously.
- RetroDUR review
 - a. The profiles were reviewed and letters generated as the committee members deemed appropriate.
- The meeting adjourned at 3:15p.m.